#### **NOMINATION**

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Robert D. Okun, and Michael Kenny O'Keefe, both to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, after the nominees, who were both introduced by Representative Norton, testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### INDIAN AFFAIRS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the views and priorities of Interior Secretary Jewell with regard to matters of Indian affairs, after receiving testimony from Sally Jewell, Secretary, and Lawrence Roberts, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, both of the Department of the Interior.

# House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 1981–2008; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 214, 217, were introduced. Pages H2653–54

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 701, to amend a provision of the Securities Act of 1933 directing the Securities and Exchange Commission to add a particular class of securities to those exempted under such Act to provide a deadline for such action (H. Rept. 113–58);

H. Res. 215, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 45) to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (H. Rept. 113–59); and

H. Res. 216, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1062) to improve the consideration by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders (H. Rept. 113–60).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Brooks (AL) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:50 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Reception in the House Chamber of Former Members of Congress: Agreed by unanimous consent that the proceedings had during the former Members program held earlier in the day be printed in the Congressional Record and that all Members and former Members who spoke during the proceedings have the privilege of revising and extending their remarks.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Amending a provision of the Securities Act of 1933 directing the Securities and Exchange Commission to add a particular class of securities to those exempted under such Act to provide a deadline for such action: H.R. 701, amended, to amend a provision of the Securities Act of 1933 directing the Securities and Exchange Commission to add a particular class of securities to those exempted under such Act to provide a deadline for such action, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 148;

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Homes for Heroes Act of 2013: H.R. 384, amended, to establish the position of Special Assistant for Veterans Affairs in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 149;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To transfer the position of Special Assistant for Veterans Affairs in the Department of Housing and Urban Development to the Office of the Secretary, and for other purposes."

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Hill Creek Cultural Preservation and Energy Development Act: H.R. 356, to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled "An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes";

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Amending the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to modify the Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project: H.R. 767, amended, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to modify the Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 415 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 147; and

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Amending Public Law 93-435 with respect to the Northern Mariana Islands, providing parity with Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa: H.R. 573, to amend Public Law 93–435 with respect to the Northern Mariana Islands, providing parity with Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:29 p.m. and reconvened at 5:04 p.m. **Page H2634** 

Oath of Office—First Congressional District of South Carolina: Representative-elect Mark Sanford presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a copy of the Certificate of Election received from the Honorable Mark Hammond, Secretary of State of South Carolina, indicating that, according to the returns of the Special Election held May 7, 2013, the Honorable Mark Sanford was elected Representative to Congress for the First Congressional District, State of South Carolina.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from South Carolina, Mr. Sanford, the whole number of the House is 434.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H2634.

Senate Referral: S. 601 was held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2634, H2636, and H2636–37. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 1947, the "Federal Agriculture Reform and Risk Management Act of 2013".

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee On Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a markup on FY 2014 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill. The bill was forwarded, without amendment.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 271, "Resolving Environmental and Grid Reliability Conflicts Act of 2013";

H.R. 1407, the "Animal Drug User Fee Amendments of 2013", as amended by the Subcommittee on Health; and H.R. 1919, the "Safeguarding America's Pharmaceuticals Act of 2013". The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 1919 and H.R. 1407. The following bill was ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 271.

#### TITLE II OF THE DODD-FRANK ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Who Is Too Big to Fail: Does Title II of the Dodd-Frank Act Enshrine Taxpayer-Funded Bailouts?". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MURDER OF HUMAN RIGHTS ATTORNEY PATRICK FINUCANE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled "Recent Developments in the Investigation of the Murder of Human Rights Attorney Patrick Finucane". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a markup on the following measures: H.R. 1897, the "Vietnam Human Rights Act of 2013"; H.R. 1951, the "Sean and David Goldman International Child Abduction Prevention and Return Act of 2013"; and H. Res. 131, concerning the ongoing conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the need for international efforts toward long-term peace, stability, and observance of human rights. The following bill was forwarded, as amended: H.R. 1951. The following bill and resolution were forwarded, without amendment: H.R. 1897 and H. Res. 131.

#### PREVENTING A NUCLEAR IRAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Preventing a Nuclear Iran". Testimony was heard from Wendy R. Sherman, Under Secretary for Political Affairs, Department of State; and David S. Cohen, Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence, Department of Treasury.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1417, the "Border Security Results Act of 2013". The bill was ordered reported, as amended.